

ASTM Meeting F15.38 Subcommittee on Window Falls Prevention Washington, DC **September 16, 1997**

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Attendees:

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Summary of Meeting

As the first order of business, Phil Morton, Dayton Technologies, and Kathryn Coen, Andersen Corporation, were elected co-chairs of the subcommittee.

The draft standard for guards intended for non-egress windows was discussed in detail. Assignments were made to draft an impact test method and a hang test method. Assignments were also made to supply documentation for various specifications in the standard.

The issues involved in drafting a standard for an operable guard to be used for egress windows were discussed. Michelle Perrault briefly described the experiences of the Boston group which developed the voluntary ordinance currently in effect in Boston and described some of the types of guards which that group had considered. Major areas of concern include the ease of operability of the guard, determining what age child should be able to operate the guard, and whether the operability of the guard could be defeated (some designs allow a padlock to be placed on the guard).

Information from applicable codes and standards which specify operability was distributed for the subcommittee's consideration prior to the next meeting.

The next meeting was scheduled for Thursday, November 13, 1997 at ASTM's Washington office in the ASME Washington Center.

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Attendees, ASTM Subcommittee F15.38 Meeting September 16, 1997

Kathie Morgan, ASTM
Phil Morton, Dayton Technologies
Rich Walker, AAMA
John Sterling, John Sterling Corporation
Larry Armstrong, AMSCO
Kathryn Coen, Andersen Corporation
Andrea Nordaune, A.J. Nordaune & Associates
Jim McMullon, TMC, Inc.
Michelle Perrault, Consultant
Tim Lane, Leslie-Locke, Inc.
Elaine Besson, Consultant
Eric Ekstrom, National Wood Window and Door
Christine Eames, Product Safety Letter
Genny O'Donnell, National Safe Kids Campaign
Sue Kyle, CPSC